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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing a response to the communication dated September 24, 2009 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$_130.00\$ to extend the time for filing this response until November 24, 2009.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

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| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid | Present Extra | Rate | |
| Total Claims | 19 | Minus | 20 | 0 | x \$52.00 | \$ |
| Independent Claims | 2 | Minus | 3 | 0 | x \$220.00 | \$ |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE | | | | | - | x \$390.00 = \$ |
| TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| 1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | \$N/A |

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| <u>X</u> A | A check in the amou | nt of \$ <u>130.00</u> | o is attached. | |
| C.F.R. § | §§1.16 and 1.17 whi endency of the appl | ich may be requi | ired with this cor | ny additional fees under 37 nmunication or during the nt, to Deposit Account No . |
| | <u>per 24, 2009</u> Date | Att Re Oh On Sta Te | ul D. Greeley orney for Application No. 37 dandt, Greeley, landt, Greeley, landtrong, CT 069 dephone: (203) 327 | I,019 Ruggiero & Perle, L.L.P. Jare, 10 th Floor 01-2682 327-4500 |
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